

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 8 through 25 as follows:

1. (ORIGINAL) A motor vehicle comprising:

a vehicle body;

a headliner disposed in an interior of said vehicle body, said headliner having a surface facing the interior and a recess extending away from said surface toward said vehicle body; and

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable.

2. (ORIGINAL) A motor vehicle comprising:

a vehicle body;

a headliner disposed in an interior of said vehicle body, said headliner having a surface facing the interior and a recess extending away from said surface toward said vehicle body; and

a grab handle comprising an inner strap extending longitudinally and having ends being disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable.

3. (ORIGINAL) A motor vehicle comprising:

a vehicle body;

a headliner disposed in an interior of said vehicle body, said headliner having a surface facing the interior and a recess extending away from said surface toward said vehicle body;

a grab handle having ends being disposed in said recess and said grab handle being non-rotatable; and

a fastener extending through each end of said grab handle and said headliner.

4. (ORIGINAL) A motor vehicle comprising:

a vehicle body;

a headliner disposed in an interior of said vehicle body, said headliner having a surface facing the interior and a recess extending away from said surface toward said vehicle body; and

a grab handle having ends and being disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable, said grab handle comprising an inner strap and an outer cover disposed over a majority of a length of said inner strap.

5. (ORIGINAL) A motor vehicle comprising:

a vehicle body;

a headliner disposed in an interior of said vehicle body, said headliner having a surface facing the interior and a recess extending away from said surface toward said vehicle body; and

a grab handle being non-rotatable and comprising an inner strap, an outer cover disposed over a majority of a length of said inner strap, and an end cap covering each end of said outer cover and being disposed in said recess.

6. (ORIGINAL) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior

therein, a grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior of the vehicle for mounting to a vehicle body of the motor vehicle, said headliner having a recess; and

a grab handle comprising an inner strap and an outer cover disposed over said inner strap, said grab handle being non-rotatable and having ends disposed longitudinally within said recess of said headliner and mounted to a surface forming said recess of said headliner.

7. (ORIGINAL) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein, a grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior of the vehicle for mounting to a vehicle body of the motor vehicle, said headliner having a recess; and

a grab handle being non-rotatable and comprising a metal inner strap extending longitudinally, a plastic outer cover disposed over a majority of a length of said inner strap, and an end cap covering each end of said outer cover and being disposed in said recess.

8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed ~~on a passenger side of the motor vehicle~~ in the interior, said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess on a passenger side of the motor vehicle; and

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable.

9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed ~~on a driver side and a passenger side of the motor vehicle~~ in the interior, each said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess on a driver side of the motor vehicle; and

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable.

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed ~~in a front portion of the interior for a front seat occupant therein~~ in the interior, said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess in a front portion of the interior for a front seat occupant therein; and

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable.

11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed ~~in a rear portion of the interior for a rear seat occupant therein~~ in the interior, said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess in a rear portion of the interior for a rear seat occupant therein; and

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable.

12. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed ~~in a front portion of the interior for a front seat occupant and in a rear portion of the interior for a rear seat occupant therein~~ in the interior, each said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess in either one of a front portion of the interior for a front seat occupant and in a rear portion of the interior for a rear seat occupant therein; and

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable.

13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed in a front portion of the interior for a front seat occupant and on a driver side in a rear portion of the interior for a driver side rear seat occupant and on a rear passenger side in the rear portion of the interior for a passenger side rear seat occupant therein, each said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess; and

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable.

14. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed on a passenger side in a front portion of the interior for a front passenger seat occupant and on a driver side in a rear portion of the interior for a driver side rear seat occupant and on a rear passenger side in the rear portion of the interior for a passenger side rear seat occupant therein, each said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess; and

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable.

15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed ~~on a passenger side of the motor vehicle~~ in the interior, said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess on a passenger side of the motor vehicle;

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable; and

a fastener extending through each end of said grab handle and said headliner.

16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed ~~on a driver side and a passenger side of the motor vehicle~~ in the interior, each said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess on a driver side of the motor vehicle;

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable; and

a fastener extending through each end of said grab handle and said headliner.

17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed ~~in a front portion of the interior for a front seat occupant therein~~ in the interior, said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess in a front portion of the interior for a front seat occupant therein;

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable; and

a fastener extending through each end of said grab handle and said headliner.

18. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed ~~in a rear portion of the interior for a rear seat occupant therein~~ in the interior, said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess in a rear portion of the interior for a rear seat occupant therein;

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable; and

a fastener extending through each end of said grab handle and said headliner.

19. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed in a front portion of the interior for a front seat occupant and in a rear portion of the interior for a rear seat occupant therein, each said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess;

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable; and

a fastener extending through each end of said grab handle and said headliner.

20. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed in a front portion of the interior for a front seat occupant and on a driver side in a rear portion of the interior for a driver side rear seat occupant and on a rear passenger side in the rear portion of the interior for a passenger side rear seat occupant therein, each said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess;

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable; and

a fastener extending through each end of said grab handle and said headliner.

21. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed on a passenger side in a front portion of the interior for a front passenger seat occupant and on a driver side in a rear portion of the interior for a driver side rear seat occupant and on a rear passenger side in the rear portion of the interior for a passenger side rear seat occupant therein, each said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess;

a grab handle having ends disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable; and

a fastener extending through each end of said grab handle and said headliner.

22. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed ~~in a front portion of the interior for a front seat occupant therein~~ in the interior, said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess in a front portion of the interior for a front seat occupant therein; and

a grab handle having ends and being disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable, said grab handle comprising an inner strap and an outer cover disposed over a majority of a length of said inner strap.

23. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed ~~in a rear portion of the interior for a rear seat occupant therein~~ in the interior, said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess in a rear portion of the interior for a rear seat occupant therein; and

a grab handle having ends and being disposed in said recess and being non-rotatable, said grab handle comprising an inner strap and an outer cover disposed over a majority of a length of said inner strap.

24. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed ~~in a front portion of the interior for a front seat occupant therein~~ in the interior, said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess in a front portion of the interior for a front seat occupant therein; and

a grab handle being non-rotatable and comprising an inner strap, an outer cover disposed over a majority of a length of said inner strap, and an end cap covering each end of said outer cover and being disposed in said recess.

25. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) In a motor vehicle having a vehicle body with an interior therein and a grab handle assembly disposed ~~in a rear portion of the interior for a rear seat occupant therein~~ in the interior, said grab handle assembly comprising:

a headliner disposed in the interior and having a recess in a rear portion of the interior for a rear seat occupant therein; and

a grab handle being non-rotatable and comprising an inner strap, an outer cover disposed over a majority of a length of said inner strap, and an end cap covering each end of said outer cover and being disposed in said recess.